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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For (title): TOP-FILL RECLOSABLE BAG HAVING WICKET
FLAP AND RELATED METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

1. Type of Application

This application is a continuation-in-part application claiming priority, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, from U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/610,805 filed on July 1, 2003, which in turn is a continuation-in-part application claiming priority, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, from U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/367,450 filed on February 14, 2003.

2. Papers Enclosed Herewith

The following papers required for a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are enclosed:

19 Pages of specification
9 Pages of claims
1 Page of abstract
6 Sheets of formal drawings

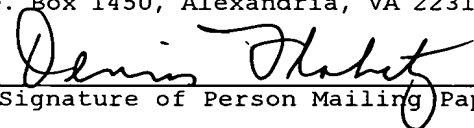
The following additional papers are enclosed:

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Basic fee for large entity		\$770
Total claims in excess of 20	(= 21) × \$18	\$378
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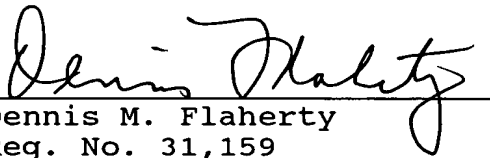
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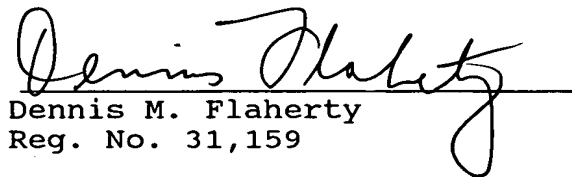
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